

June 28, 1945

The President of the Philippines  
Manila

Sir:

In view of my increased responsibilities in the Philippine Army, which requires my undivided attention, I have the honor to tender herewith my resignation as Secretary of Health and Public Welfare, effective at the close of business hours today.

Permit me to avail myself of this opportunity to thank you for the trust and confidence you have reposed upon me, and to assure you that it was for me an honor to have been given the privilege to be of assistance to you in reconstituting the health and welfare activities of our Government, which step was so urgently necessary in the important task of alleviating the sufferings of our people during those hectic days following the reconquest of Manila.

Very respectfully,

BASILIO J. VALDES  
Secretary of Health and Public Welfare